

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. Claim 10 is being cancelled. Claims 12-28 are being added. New Claims 12-19 parallel Claims 2-9. New Claims 20-28 parallel Claims 1-9. Claims 1, 3, 7, 8, and 11 are being amended to change "said" to --the--. No new matter is being introduced.

Information Disclosure Statement

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently herewith. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested. The references cited in the IDS are the same as those of the parent application.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims (Claims 1-28) are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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